

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: MORTENSEN ROAD SIDEWALK INFILL UPDATE

BACKGROUND:

At its November 12, 2019, meeting, the City Council directed staff to reach out to the property owners of 1305 Dickinson Avenue and 4535 Mortensen Road (both owned by Dickson Jensen), and 4515 Mortensen Road (owned by Kum & Go), to see if they would be willing to complete the missing portions of sidewalk and shared use path on their respective properties. **Both property owners initially responded that they would be willing to complete their respective portions of the sidewalk and path network by July 2020. However, new information has been provided that will impact the completion of this project.**

4535 MORTENSEN (JENSEN):

Dickson Jensen has informed staff that he is still willing to complete the 4535 Mortensen Road sidewalk by July 2020. However, plans are currently being prepared to develop the 4535 Mortensen Road property and will be brought to a spring Development Review Committee (DRC) meeting for 2020 construction. This development will require construction of the missing sidewalk adjacent to the property. Construction activities at the site will damage the sidewalk if it is built before development and a temporary closure of the sidewalk would also be required.

4515 MORTENSEN (KUM & GO):

Kum & Go staff recently notified City staff that the sidewalk infill was not added to Kum & Go's 2020 capital budget, so Kum & Go would not be able to complete the work this year. Kum & Go staff indicated they would commit to completing the sidewalk in 2021. If the 4535 Mortensen (Jensen) property is developed this year, any sidewalk along the 4515 Mortensen (Kum & Go) property would dead-end into the construction zone and not provide a significant increase to pedestrian connectivity until the adjacent development is completed.

1305 DICKINSON (JENSEN):

Dickson Jensen has informed staff that he is still willing to complete the 1305 Dickinson Avenue shared use path by July 2020. However, a Jensen Group representative also indicated that development plans are being considered for 1305 Dickinson Avenue. However, the timeframe is still unclear for development to begin on that site.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Direct staff to allow the owners of all three properties until July 1, 2021, to complete the installation of their sidewalk/path projects, and to initiate an assessment project after that deadline for any path or sidewalk remaining to be installed.
2. Direct staff to immediately initiate a property owner assessment project for the 4515 Mortensen Road sidewalk, and maintain July 1, 2020 as a completion date for the 1305 Dickinson Avenue shared use path and the 4535 Mortensen Road sidewalk.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Unfortunately Kum & Go did not follow through with budgeting the construction of its sidewalk for 2020. Mr. Jensen is still willing to construct the sidewalk and path associated with his properties; however, pending site development would most certainly cause damage to the newly installed sidewalk/path.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, as stated above. While this alternative will delay the installation of the multi-modal facilities, it will avoid having to close and reconstruct the improvements within one year.



MORTENSEN RD / DICKINSON AVE INFILL

-  4515 Mortensen Sidewalk
-  4535 Mortensen Sidewalk
-  1305 Dickinson Shared Use Path



1 inch = 150 feet